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1. All Volkspolizei units in Cottbus were alerted on 13 January for commitment in Berlin. Their commitment is supposed to follow the closing of the Potsdam-Westkreuz S-Bahn line.
2. All busses in Cottbus were assembled on 10 January. The confidential order from the Ministry of the Interior concerning this operation was discussed at a special meeting of the Cottbus city council.

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Comment: It is believed that this measure is directed against CDU and Jewish escapees.

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